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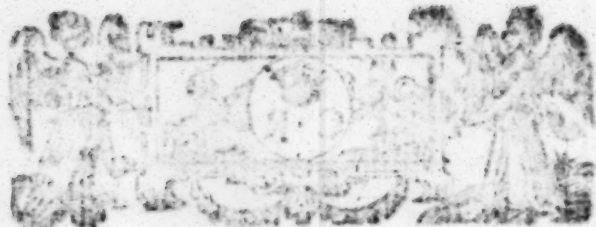
LIKEWISE,

The Message and Order of both Houses of Par-  
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Die Veneris Augusti 1642.

Instructions agreed on by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, for to be observed by their severall Committees.

I.  
**Y**ou shall observe and execute the Ordinance of both Houses of Parliament the eighth of this month, for the suppression of the Rebellion and Commotion, raised by the Marquesse of *Hartford* in the County of *Somerset*, and other Western Counties; and by the Earle of *Northampton* and others in the County of *Leicester* *Northampton*, *Warwick*, and other adjoyning parts.

II.  
You shall conduct and leade all such Forces of Horse and Foot as shall be appointed by the Lord Generall (the Earle of *Essex*) for this service, and shall fight with, kill, and slay all such as shall by force oppose you in the execution of that Ordinance; and all their Assisants, Ayders and Abettors, and you shall levie such other Forces of horse and foot as his Excellence shall by his Commission give you power to leavie, under such Colonels,



Commanders, and other Officers, as shall bee by him appointed or directed? And you shall pursue the said Rebels and Traytors, in the said Counties, or in any other Counties, or parts of the Kingdome into which they shall retyre themselves.

All which Forces so to be raised shall have the same pay as the rest of the Army is to have. And you shall defend and protect his Majesties Subjects from violence and oppression by the illegall Commission of Array, or otherwise; And you shall hinder and forbid the execution of that illegall Commission, and in all places to the uttermost of your power, indeavour to preserve and restore the peace of the Kingdome.

### III.

You are hereby authorized and required to disarm all popish Recusants, and all such other dangerous and ill-affected persons, as well Clergy men as others, as have testified or shall testifie their ill-disposition to the peace of the Kingdome.

### IV.

You shall indeavour to cleere the proceedings of Parliament from all imputations and Aspersions, and shall from time to time certifie us of all things necessary for the publique service, and that wee may have a speedy account of it, and directions to you, as well as your advertisements to us may have a cleer and ready passage, you shall lay a strict charg upon all post-masters, that they doe not suffer any Letters, or other Dispatches, to or from the Parliament, to be intercepted or stayed: or if any shall pre-

preſume to make ſuch ſtay of thoſe Diſpatcher,  
you ſhall direct the Poſtmaſters to repaire to the  
Juſtices of the Peace, Conſtables, and all other Of-  
ficers, for their Aid and Aſſiſtance, who are hereby  
required to take ſpeciall care that there may not be  
no ſuch interruption.

V.

If you ſhall find any diſaffected perſons, raiſing  
any parties againſt the Parliament, ſpreading ſcan-  
dals or aſperſions on their proceedings, like to di-  
ſturbe the peace of the Kingdom ; you ſhall cauſe  
all ſuch perſons ( upon good proofes of their Miſ-  
demeanours ) to be Arreſted and ſent up to answer  
ſuch their Offences , as to Law and Juſtice ſhall  
appertain.

VI.

You ſhall take from the ſaid Rebels and Tray-  
tors all ſuch Arms, Ordinance, and Ammunition, as  
they have taken from his Majesties Subjects, and  
reſtore the ſame to the Owner.

VII.

Whereas his Maieſty ſeduced by wicked Coun-  
cels hath raiſed Warre againſt his Parliament, and  
other his good ſubjects, and hath drawn together  
great troops of Papists and ill affected perſons, and  
ſent out Commiſſion for the levying of others, to  
the great hazzard of Religion , and the publique  
peace of the Kingdome.

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You are therefore required to suppress all persons whatsoever, who shall leave any Souldiers, or draw together any of the Trayned Bands, by colour or pretence of any Commission from his Majesty, under the great Seal or otherwise; And you shall seize upon all Horses, Arms, Ammunition, money, Plate, or other Provision whatsoever, raised or provided under pretence of his Majesties service, for the fomenting or maintaining any such unnaturall and unlawfull warre against his people.

### VIII.

You shall observe and execute all such further Directions and Instructions as you shall from time to time receive from both Houses of Parliament: As likewise, such Instructions and Directions as you shall from time to time receive from the Committees of the Lords and Commons appointed to take Care of the safety of the Kingdom, and whatsoever you shall do therein, or any other person in Aid or Assistance of you, it shall be accepted as a good and necessary service to the Kingdom, and for their and your so doing, they and you shall bee defended and protected by the Authority of Parliament. And this Resolution of the Lords and Commons, to protect those that shall obey and further their Commands, you shall publish and declare upon all occasions, for the better encouragement of the Subjects of this Kingdom in that behalfe.



*Die Veneris 12. Augusti. 1642.*

**I**t is this Day Ordered by the Lords  
and Commons assembled in Parliament,  
That every Alderman in every Ward  
within the City of London, or in his ab-  
sence his Deputy, shall summon every Sub-  
sidy man dwelling in his said Ward to  
appear on Monday next, at their usuall  
~~place of meeting by 8. of the clock~~ in the  
morning, where some members of the  
House of Commons will be present to ac-  
quaint them with the present state and  
condition of the Kingdom, and City of  
London, and to consider further what is  
fit for the safety of both.

And to that end you are to require all  
Inhabitants setting all excuses aside, not  
to fail of giving their personall presence  
at the time and place appointed by you.  
And every Alderman or Deputy is like-  
wise hereby further required, upon the  
day

day and time above-specified, to make re-  
turn of the subscriptions of all strangers  
in their particular Wards.

Ordered by the Lords and Commons assem-  
bled in Parliament, that this be forthwith  
printed and published.

**John Brown Cler. Parl.**





